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At page 1, after the Title, and before the section entitled "1. Field of the Invention" please insert 4-This application is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 08/908,526, filed August 7, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,876,730, issued March 2, 1999.--

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) An antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof which [binds to] is ecifically reactive with a polypeptide or an antigen fragment thereof, wherein the polypeptide is characterized as:

- (a) having an amino acid sequence corresponding to the carboxy terminal amino acids of a connectivatissue growth factor (CTGF) protein;
 - (b) binding to peparin and being eluted from heparin with about 0.8 M salt; and
 - (c) having a molecular weight of about 10 kDa to about 20kDa by reducing SDS-PAGE [and which binds with immunoreactive fragments thereof.]

wherein the polypeptide has an amino acid sequence beginning at about amino acid residue 247 or amino acid residue 248 from the N-terminus of CTGF, and has mitogenic and chemotactic activity.

Please add the following new claims:

- 4. The antibody of claim 1, wherein the antibody is a human antibody.
- 5. The antibody of claim 1, wherein the antibody is a single chain antibody.
- 6. The antibody of claim 1, wherein the antibody is a humanized antibody.
- The antibody of claim 1, wherein the antibody is an antibody fragment.